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DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

ISOLATED VSHK-1 RECEPTOR POLYPEPTIDES AND METHODS OF USE THEREOF

the specification of which (check one) _____ is attached hereto was filed on **November 3, 1999** as U.S. Application No. **09/433,360** and was amended on _____ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).
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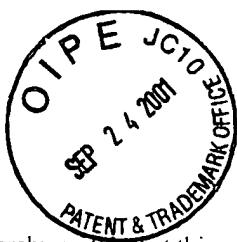
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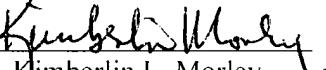
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